
10th DECEMBER, 1804.

Read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday next.

AN ACT,

FOR the disposal of certain copies of the Laws of the United States.

1 **Be it enacted**, by the Senate and House of Representa-
2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3 That three hundred copies of the laws of the United States, which
4 have been procured by the secretary of state, in obedience to the
5 law, passed for that purpose, shall be placed in the library of
6 Congress.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the secretary of the
2 Senate, for the time being, be, and he is hereby authorised to re-
3 ceive three hundred copies of the laws of the United States, out
4 of the thousand copies reserved by law for the disposal of Con-
5 gress, as soon as the same shall be printed after each session.

6 which he shall cause to be placed in the library, and assorted re-
 7 spectively with the sets of copies mentioned in the first section of
 8 this act; excepting only that at the close of the present session,
 9 which will complete the eighth Congress, and in like manner after
 10 each particular session in future, which shall complete a Congress;
 11 he shall cause the several copies, reserved by him as aforesaid,
 12 for all the sessions of each respective Congress, to be bound in
 13 one volume, making three hundred volumes for each Congress, as
 14 aforesaid; which he shall cause to be placed in the library, assor-
 15 ted with the respective sets of copies mentioned in the first sec-
 16 tion of this act. And the several copies of the laws mentioned
 17 in this act, shall not be taken out of the library, except by the
 18 President and Vice President of the United States, and members
 19 of the Senate and House of Representatives for the time being.
 20 And the expense of binding shall be paid, from time to time, out
 21 of the fund appropriated to defray the contingent expenses of
 22 both houses of Congress.

1 SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the President of the Se-
 2 nate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the time
 3 being, be, and they are hereby empowered to establish such regu-
 4 lations and restrictions in relation to the copies of the laws,
 5 directed by this act to be placed in the library, as to them shall
 6 seem proper, and from time to time, to alter and amend the same;
 7 *Provided*, That no regulation nor restriction shall be valid, which
 8 is repugnant to the provisions contained in this act.

1 SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That to make up the de-
2 ficiency of the appropriation heretofore made, for the purchase of
3 four hundred copies of the laws of the United States, the sum of
4 eleven hundred and forty four dollars, be and the same is hereby
5 appropriated, payable out of any money in the treasury, not other-
6 wise appropriated.

DECEMBER 7th, 1804.

Read the third time and passed the Senate.

ATTEST,

SAMUEL A. OTIS, *Secretary.*
